

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As the below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name. ✓

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**INVERTER BYPASS SAFETY SWITCH**

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed ✓ and understand the content of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended.

I acknowledge the duty ✓ to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, section 119, of any foreign applications for patent or inventor's certificate listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Applications

Priority Claimed

(none)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, section 120 of any United States application listed below, and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of the application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulation, section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

App. Serial No.

Filing Date

Status

(None)

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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DECLARATION: I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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(Date)

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U.S. PATENT NO.

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FOR: INVERTER BYPASS SAFETY SWITCH

VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(c)) -- SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

I hereby declare that I am

\_\_\_\_\_ the owner of the small business concern identified  
below

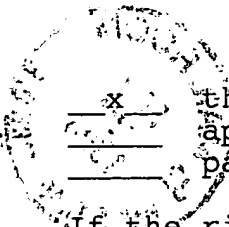
  x   an official of the small business concern  
empowered to act on behalf of the concern  
identified below:

NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN: ADVANCE CONTROLS, INC.

ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN: 296 BEINORIS DRIVE, WOOD DALE,  
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I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.12, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention entitled **INVERTER BYPASS SAFETY SWITCH** by inventor **Donald G. Panuce** described in



the specification filed herewith.  
application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
patent no. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention is listed below\* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d), or a non-profit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).  
\*Note: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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